

ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

The present invention provides a developing apparatus comprising a developer bearing member for bearing developer, a spacer provided on a surface at 5 an end portion of the developer bearing member along a longitudinal direction, for maintaining a constant gap between the developer bearing member and an image bearing member for supplying the developer from the developer bearing member, a seal member for 10 regulating leakage of the developer toward the end portion of the developer bearing member along the longitudinal direction, and a developer scraping member provided at a portion overlapping with the seal member along the longitudinal direction of the 15 developer bearing member, contacting the developer bearing member, and wherein the developer bearing member contacts a surface of the spacer.